



KING CAESAR HOUSE - DUXBURY, MASSACHUSETTS

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All summer long the Duxbury Rural & Historical Society will be presenting activities, from tours of their 2 famous houses, to a distinguished lecture series; from an island picnic to a clambake; from food sales to the biggest barn sale of them all.

The King Caesar House, that beautiful Federal period mansion on Powder Point, will be open to visitors every day (except Mondays) from Saturday, June 29 until Labor Day.

There visitors will be greeted by charming hostesses, who will explain everything from Ezra Weston's empire to the early American primitive portraits and the DuFour French wallpapers in the parlors.

In the spacious barn, the popular "King Caesar Mornings" lecture series will feature on June 27 Mrs. Yves Henry Buehler on Silver of Early New England; on July 11 Elizabeth Bradford on The Bradford House and its Inhabitants; on July 25, Lenice Ingram Bacon on Early New England Quilts; and on Aug. 8, the Rev. Peter Gomes on A Plymouth Retrospective: Views of the Town As It Was. Each of these lectures will be preceded by

a morning coffee at 10, and the celebrated delicacies of the King Caesar House kitchens will be available for the discriminating gourmet.

At an evening meeting on July 15, Prof. Muller of Bridgewater State College will speak on the archaeological excavations his group made last summer on the Howland property off Bay Rd. The public will be welcomed at this talk, which will be held at the First Parish Church

Boats great and small will transport 100 or more adventures to the delightful Clark's Island Picnic on Aug. 4. After lunching on the grass at Cedarfields, second oldest house on the island, the company will walk to Election Rock, where the Pilgrims in 1620 elected to hold their first religious service ashore in the New World, and where we will hold a short Memorial Service 354 years later.

The annual meeting of the Society on Aug. 12 will review functions of the past year and forecast the future. Also, a speaker will present a subject of interest to Duxbury, and refreshments will be served.

In the King Caesar House barn on Aug. 18, the popular Chowder

Supper will be served. There will be 2 sittings. Come one and all.

The crowning event of the summer, a barn sale of gigantic proportions, will run for 2 whole days, Aug. 22-23, on the lawns of the King Caesar house. Bric-a-brac, antiques, usable junk, pictures, furniture, everything you have ever seen at any yard sale, and more, will be there in unrivalled profusion.

Much of the restoration at the Captain Gershom Bradford House has been completed, and accordingly the house will be open to visitors on Wednesday afternoons from 2-5 during July and August for individual visitors, with groups welcome by appointment.